

IN THE CLAIMS:

 Please cancel claims 1-16.

Please add new claims 17-22 as follows:

17. (New) A factor VIII/vWF-complex particularly containing high-molecular vWF multimers, obtainable from a factor VIII/vWF-containing solution by cation exchange chromatography.

18. (New) The factor VIII/vWF-complex of Claim 17, wherein said factor VIII/vWF-complex is particularly free from low-molecular vWF multimers, inactive vWF degradation products, factor VIII free from platelet agglutinating vWF activity and factor VIIIa activity.

19. (New) The factor VIII/vWF-complex of Claim 18, wherein said factor VIII/vWF-complex has a specific vWF activity of at least 66 U/mg protein and a specific factor VIII activity of at least 500 U/mg protein.

20. (New) A preparation comprising factor VIII/vWF-complex of Claim 19, wherein said preparation is virus-safe and free from infectious material.

21. (New) The preparation of Claim 20, wherein said preparation is present in storage-stable form.

22. (New) The preparation of Claim 20, wherein said preparation is formulated as a pharmaceutical preparation.

REMARKS

This is a divisional of U.S. Patent No. 09/367,459, filed May 8, 2000, which is a national phase of PCT Patent Application No. PCT/AT98/00043, filed February 27 1998, which claims priority to AT Patent Application No. A338/97 filed February 27, 1997, all of which are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.